

MANUFACTURERS' COMMITTEE

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Tenth District Congressional Fight

Announcement of the entrance of J. H. C. Grasty, of Augusta, into the Congressional fight in the Tenth district as an independent candidate in opposition to Representative H. D. Flood, the Democratic nominee, and long the distinguished Congressman from this district, will no doubt be received with regret by many Democrats of the district. Mr. Grasty is being pushed by the Farmers' Union of Augusta county, who will no doubt solicit the support of the Rockbridge Farmers' Union for their candidate. It is unfortunate that the organizations of the farmers should be used to promote the political interests of any candidate, and their entrance into politics may mean the end of their usefulness to the farmers of the country.

Mr. Flood, by his long and distinguished services to his country and party, will no doubt be reflected by a handsome majority, which he so justly deserves.—Lexington Gazette.

The above from the Lexington Gazette of July 22 speaks for itself and tells what we have referred to before. We regret to see the Farmers' Union attempt to be made the football of Mr. Grasty and other politicians in this way. Mr. Flood has been our able Representative for 22 years. As a farmer he has few equals. He owns and operates the best farms in this State. His home is an ideal farm, operated and conducted in the most systematic manner. His farm in Amherst on James river is one of the finest farms in Amherst county. Mr. Flood has at all times voted for and advocated what was to the interest of the farmers. We have never heard it claimed otherwise. So with his experience, ability, loyalty and interests, how could Mr. Grasty improve on him? Can he or anybody else do it? We don't know Mr. Grasty personally. We know he represented Augusta county one term in the Virginia Legislature (House of Representatives) and for some reason, we know not, he didn't return next session. To the point, we learn the Farmers' Union meeting that brought out Mr. Grasty in Augusta county had about 50 members present—a per cent of that body in Augusta, and a large part of them present were Republicans. Naturally they (Republicans) oppose Mr. Flood. Mr. Grasty helped to organize the Farmers Union in 1910, and now in 1920 he is trying to use the order politically to put himself in office or an honored position. We don't know what kind of a farmer Mr. Grasty is or what kind of a representative he will make. Will he do better than Mr. Flood? The Farmers Union is non-political, but Mr. Grasty, its member, is using it to promote his political fortunes. The old Grange which flourished in 1870 went to pieces at the hands of its political members. The Farmers' Alliance, which flourished in the '90's, went to pieces in the same way. So the Farmers Union, if controlled by its political members who are in it for political purposes, may be expected to go likewise. We invite the members of Amherst Farmers' Union to consider these facts and record. We know the farmers of Amherst with few exceptions are true, loyal Democrats, while they have at heart the best interests of the Farmers' Union.—Amherst New Era.

The Fall Army Worm

Though somewhat the same in its habits, as the true Army worm, the Fall Army worm is so called because it appears late in the season, the former species being rarely injurious after August 1st, while the latter are most injurious during the latter part of August and September. They feed upon a large variety of crops, including cowpeas, millet, sweet potatoes, clover and many other forage crops.

DESCRIPTION

Along each side of the body is a longitudinal pitch-colored stripe, and along the middle is a yellowish-gray stripe about twice as wide, which includes four black dots on each segment.

LIFE HISTORY

The winter is passed in the

pupal stage, the pupa being about one-half inch below the surface. The moths emerge in the spring and the females lay their eggs on grass in clusters of fifty or more. The eggs hatch in about ten days and the caterpillars are found during May and June. The complete life history of the insect has not been carefully followed, but it is probable that there are at least three generations in this latitude.

CONTROL

Deep fall plowing and thorough harrowing will break up the pupal cells and thus largely prevent the development of the spring brood of moths. In fields of young grain and on lawns many of the young caterpillars may be killed by a heavy roller, when not present in too large numbers, the worms may be destroyed by spraying the food plant with arsenate of lead one pound to 50 gallons of water, or by the use of poisoned bran mash, which is made by using one pound of Paris green to 25 pounds of bran. Two quarts of molasses is mixed with one gallon of water, and then added to the Paris green and bran mixture. If the worms are noticed in time while they are confined to one field they can be most economically controlled by plowing about four furrows around the field, after which this strip is harrowed, then open a furrow about midway through this strip and drag a log in the furrow until a good dust muck is obtained. The worms will not be able to pass through the dust and can be killed by spraying them with kerosene while they are in the furrow.

Forest View

We have had real fall weather the past week.

The Sunday school convention which was held at Central Baptist church last Saturday was well attended by all denominations, and plenty of good things on the grounds to eat.

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